

Abstract

[0085] A system and method facilitate capture and distribution of digital still pictures.

A first node with a camera enables a patron user to capture one or more still pictures and transfers captured still pictures to a second node via a publicly accessible WAN. The second node transfers via the publicly accessible WAN copies of captured still pictures to a third node and also receives via the publicly accessible WAN an instruction from the third node designating one or more versions of still pictures derived from the captured still pictures for access by non-patron users. The second node enables transfer via the publicly accessible WAN only the still pictures derived from the captured still pictures, but not other still pictures contained at the second node, to each permitted node, other than a node operated by the patron user.